

Prefatory Note

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I WISH this book "good luck in the name of the Lord." To me it has carried many a message of instruction, suggestion and encouragement. The treatment of the Types of the Old Testament calls of course for much humble reserve when we come to details; for even where the general reference of a Type to Christ is most certain it is possible to carry references in detail too far. But Archdeacon Armitage has both selected a Type which is certain in its reference, for Heb. vi. 18 fixes it distinctly, for the believer, when it tells us that it is to the Lord Jesus Christ that we "*fly for refuge* to lay hold on the hope set before us." And then he has treated that Type with a reverent abstinence from overdrawn detail, yet with a beautifully distinct line of exposition. For myself, I have been struck with the spiritual fitness, in almost every instance, of his "application" of *the names* of the Refuge Cities,